

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re PATENT APPLICATION OF

Inventor(s): MAEDA et al.

Filed: Herewith

Title: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING ROTARY-ELECTRIC-MACHINE STATOR

December 28, 2001

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Hon. Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir,

Please amend this application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

At the top of the first page, just under the title, insert:

1.     ☒--This is a   ☐ Continuation-In-Part   ☒ Divisional  
           ☐ Continuation       ☐ Substitute Application (MPEP 201.09) of
- 1(a)   ☒ National Application No. 09/394,526 filed September 10, 1999.
- 1(b)   ☐ International Application No. PCT/\_\_\_/  
 filed \_\_\_ which designated the U.S.--

2.     ☐--This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No.  
 60/\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_.--

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Prior to examination, please amend the specification as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel claims 12 and 13 without prejudice or disclaimer.

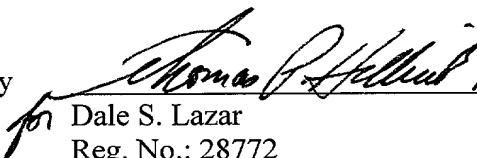
**Remarks**

In view of the above, Applicants submit that each of the claims pending in the present application are patentable over the prior art of record. An early action on the merits is requested.

Should the Examiner have any questions regarding this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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